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ST. LOUIS, MO., WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 1903.

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MILITIA THREATENED BY MOUNTAINEERS AT KENTUCKY FEUD TRIAL

Report That Curtis Jett Alleged Assassin of Marcum Will Make Full Confession Arouses Hargis Faction.

COURT UNDER MILITARY GUARD.

Tom White Taken From Hiding Place in Hills by Squad of Soldiers.

MORE GUNS SENT TO SCENE.

Member of Clan Rode Ahead of Troops and Warned Fugitive of the Approach of Officers.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Jackson, Ky., May 26.—Affairs in the Hargis-Cockrill feud investigation here have taken an ugly turn.

There may be no outbreak, but the mountaineers have assumed a menacing attitude toward the militia. Reports of a threatened uprising are common. Colonel Williams has not asked for reinforcements, but after a conference today precautionary steps were taken and a Hotchkiss gun was ordered from Lexington.

The trouble is not so much the fear that the Hargis faction will seek to obtain the release of Curtis Jett and Tom White from jail as an attempt at rescue would be hazardous, but the rumor that Jett will make a clean breast when he goes on the stand.

WITNESSES CLOSELY GUARDED. This is generally admitted, will implicate several prominent and influential men who are openly suspected of having been concerned in all three of the assassinations, has stirred the Hargis clan, and the smallness of the number of soldiers cause the court officials to have some apprehension for their safety.

Less than a hundred men were here today, owing to the departure of details after Jett and White. Of these were only a few who were engaged in escorting the several important witnesses for the commonwealth.

The men guarded include Captain B. J. Ewen, whose life hangs in the balance. It was he who told the Grand Jury the most graphic story of the Marcum assassination, he being at Marcum's side when the lawyer was shot. The shooting of Ewen at any time would cause surprise.

WHITE WARNED BY COURIER. Tom White was brought here this afternoon. Though the soldiers rode hard all night to the county line, a friend beat them, and as they surrounded White at daybreak he was dressing for flight. He gave up without resistance, but said that in five minutes he would have been in position to resist arrest.

The afternoon train also brought Jett from Winchester, the habeas corpus proceedings having been quashed. On the same train the soldiers brought Riley Calhoun, a witness to the assassination of James Cockrill.

Tom Cockrill, who can tell who shot Doctor B. D. Cox, will also be brought in by the soldiers. The plan is to arraign both Jett and White to-morrow.

JETT'S CONFESSION EXPECTED. The case of Jett will be called for trial Friday. Then is when the trouble is feared, as it is believed Jett will go on the stand in his own behalf and in an endeavor to save his neck will tell who hired him to assassinate Marcum.

There seems to be no doubt that he fired the shots which killed Marcum, and that White, by diverting Marcum's attention, was the accessory.

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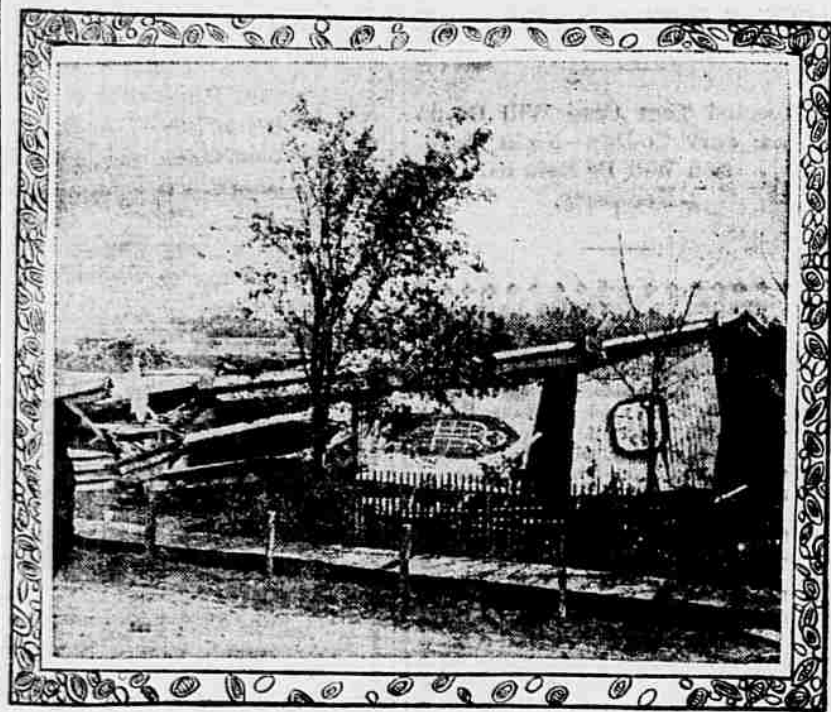
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RUINS IN PATH OF CYCLONE IN ST. CLAIR COUNTY.



—By a Republic Photographer.
RUINS OF THE LENZBURG EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, The steeple of which was 100 feet high.

Only One Fatality Reported, but Many Farmers in the Vicinity of Lenzburg and New Athens Have Narrow Escapes—Churches and Dwellings Blown Down—Minister's Wife and Daughter Hurlled Fifty Feet—Damage to Crops Enormous, and Not Yet Fully Estimated.

HAIL EIGHT INCHES DEEP CAUSES DEVASTATION OF GRAIN.

Ruins were left in the path of the cyclone, followed by a hailstorm, over the southeastern part of St. Clair County, Illinois, Monday afternoon.

An Italian, Mundeco Giusseppe, was blown beneath the wheels of a moving freight train and killed.

Many narrow escapes from death or serious injury were reported.

The damage to buildings in the vicinity of Lenzburg and New Athens is estimated in the neighborhood of \$100,000. The damage to the farmers cannot now be estimated.

Entire wheat fields, the stalks of the wheat just budding with grain, were beaten down and cut off cleaner than if a mower had been passed over the fields.

Farmers who Monday morning were happy in anticipation of getting one of the largest wheat crops in the history of St. Clair County found themselves yesterday without a vestige of the wheat.

Corn, oats, potatoes, vegetables and fruit suffered just as much as the wheat. Wheat, however, is the staple of the farmers of this part of St. Clair County, and the total loss of the wheat crop will be a severe blow to many.

MADE A SHRIEKING SOUND. Lenzburg, thirty-two miles from St. Louis on the Illinois Central Railroad, was in the middle of the path of the cyclone, which reached to New Athens on the one side and Marissa on the other.

A shrieking sound accompanied the cyclone, and as it passed over it uprooted trees, demolished sheds, fences, roofs and walls. Sections of telephone and telegraph

wire were torn off the poles and carried away.

Following closely in the path of the cyclone came the hailstorm, which raged for half an hour, covering several districts to the depth of seven and eight inches with hailstones.

The hail is believed to have damaged the crops more than the storm, although the farmers do not understand how it is that in the fields struck by the storm there is hardly a sign of vegetation.

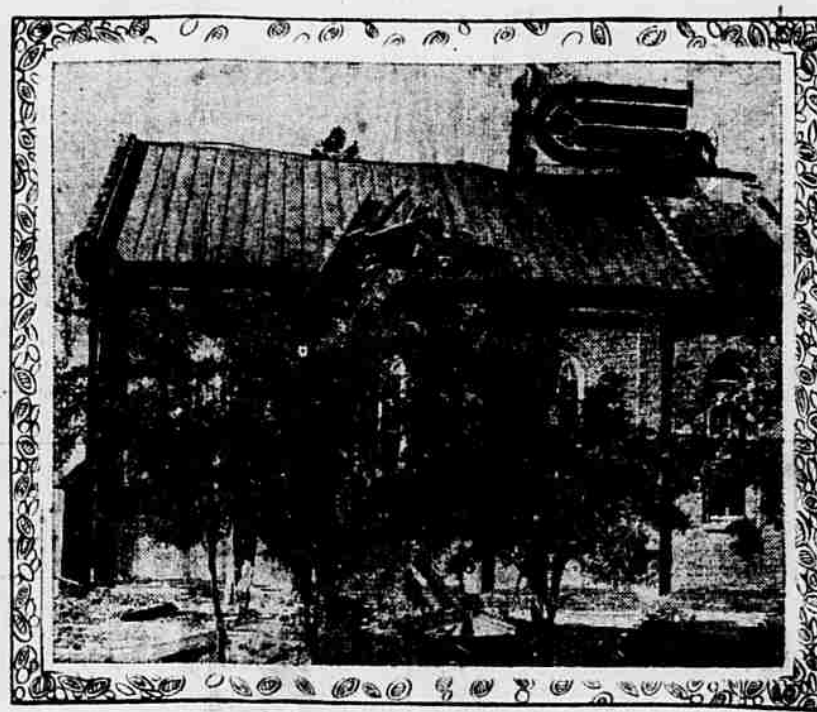
During the hailstorm the wind blew fiercely, and some believe that the first wind broke down the wheat, that the hail cut it up and that the wind which accompanied the hail blew the wheat away.

The property damage was greatest at Lenzburg. The Lenzburg Evangelical Church, an elegant structure, with a steeple 100 feet high, was wholly demolished. A portion of it fell across the residence of the pastor, the Reverend B. Kaloria.

Mrs. Kaloria and her daughter, Emily, 13 years old, had probably the narrowest escape from death during the storm.

They were taking their washing utensils from the back porch when the storm broke. Mrs. Kaloria was carrying a wash boiler, when suddenly both she and her daughter were picked up by the wind and carried fifty feet away on an outburst.

Mrs. Kaloria was injured internally, but the daughter was not seriously hurt. In the meantime Mr. Kaloria, who had been in his study in the front of the house, looked up to see a chunk of the wall fall out. He



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DISMANTLED EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH AT NEW ATHENS, The steeple of which was leveled by the cyclone.



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THE REVEREND MRS. B. KALORIA AND DAUGHTER EMILY OF Lenzburg. Mrs. Kaloria and her daughter were carried fifty feet by the cyclone from their porch to an outhouse. Mrs. Kaloria was badly injured internally.

hastened to the rear and the fury of the storm having abated somewhat, he searched for his wife and daughter.

The damage to the church is estimated at between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

At the Tiro mine, just half a mile from Lenzburg, the storm carried off the upper works. Henry Tiro, one of the proprietors of the mine, was bruised and cut.

The Methodist and Baptist churches at Lenzburg were wrecked. Both were carried several feet off their foundations. This was true of many farmers' houses.

At New Athens the Evangelical Lutheran Church was the worst damaged. Its fine steeple was leveled and the interior was

wrecked.

FISHING PARTY IN PERIL. Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Barickol and a party of friends who are staying at Bowman's clubhouse below New Athens, had a narrow escape from death.

The party was fishing in the lake when the cyclone burst on them. Great water oaks and sycamores were broken off and thrown about like match sticks, and fell all about the little party, which huddled on the side of the embankment at the lake.

Considerable damage was done to the place, and Frank B. Bowman, the owner, was sent for. He arrived in East St. Louis last night from French Lick Springs, Ind., and will depart for the clubhouse this morning.

SOCIALIST PLOTTED TO KILL PRESIDENT

Joseph Becker, a Radical, Is Held Under Arrest by Police of Walla Walla, Wash.

TELLS WHERE HE HID HIS GUN.

Accused by Former Employer of Saying He Had One Bullet for Roosevelt and Another for Emperor William.

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STEAMER STACKER LEE LEADS SIMS IN RACE TO MEMPHIS.

Both Packets Pass New Madrid and Are Rushing on Last Stage of Journey.

LEE IS FOUR HOURS AHEAD.

Sims Loses Time at Cairo, but Is Trying to Make It Up With Forced Draft—Both Boats Due at Destination To-night.

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LEADING TOPICS TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC.

THE SUN RISES THIS MORNING AT 4:41, AND SETS THIS EVENING AT 7:15. THE MOON SETS THIS EVENING AT 5:34.

GRAIN CLOSED: ST. LOUIS-JULY WHEAT 74c; JULY CORN 45c.

CHICAGO: JULY WHEAT 73c ASKED; JULY CORN 45c ASKED.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

For Missouri, Arkansas and Eastern Texas—Showers and cooler Wednesday. Fair Thursday.

For Illinois—Showers and cooler Wednesday. Fair in south; showers in north portion Thursday.

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1. Hanna Surrenders to the President. Militia Threatened by Mountaineers. Ruins in Path of Cyclone in St. Clair County.

2. Prophecy Causes Negro to Flee. Texas Militia Sent to Protect Negro. Terminal Loop Bill Held Up in Council. Murrell Undergoes Severe Cross-Fire.

3. Winter Weather Improved in Northwestern States. Woman's Secret Society to Hold Annual Meeting. Conspiracy to Hold Men in Servitude?

4. Prominent Christian Workers to Attend Prayer Convention. Devery Still Runs for Mayor's Office. Spanish Admiral Ship Raised in Manila Harbor. Four Killed and Many Hurt in Mine Explosion.

5. East Side News. Railway Men Discuss Operating Expenses. Editorial. Happenings in Society.

6. Joint Reunion of Confederate and Federal Veterans Planned. For Closer Relations With Reformed Church.

7. Episcopalians Favor Retaining Old Name. Insurance Agents' Verbal Contract Binding. Robbed City Mail Boxes.

8. The Republic Form Chart. Race Results and Entries. 11. Wall Street Again Settled. Local Securities Under Selling Pressure. Live Stock Market.

12. Republic "Want" Ads. Birth, Marriage and Death Records. New Corporations. 13. Rooms for Rent Ads. 14. Summary of St. Louis Markets. Wheat Closes Lower.

15. Barbaglia Found Guilty. Crane Company to Build Additional Warehouse. Arrested at Sister's Grave. Declared He Shot Ryan in Self-Defense. Divorced His Wife for Spitting. Woman Is to Be a Lawyer.

RYAN CONFESSES TO GIVING MONEY AND CHECK FOR ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE MAILS.

Proprietor of Get-Rich-Quick Concern Says Telegram From Joseph M. Johns Offered Assistance With Officials of Post-Office Department After Suppression Had Been Threatened—Contract Signed for Literature—Payment in Cincinnati.

SECOND PAYMENT OF \$25,000 FOR SENATOR REQUESTED.

Cincinnati, May 26.—Other warrants have been issued as a result of the investigations of Post-Office Inspectors W. J. Vickery of Cincinnati and R. M. Fulton of St. Louis.

John Ryan is here and admits that he operated some time at St. Louis before the inspectors got after him, and later he was called to Washington. Ryan says:

"I was sore because I heard others doing business like mine stood in with the Post-Office Department by giving up \$25,000, and I felt that those who were standing in with the department were behind the investigation so as to get me out of their way."

After returning from Washington to St. Louis last November, Ryan says, he got a telegram from Attorney Johns of Rockville, Ind., that Johns could be of service to him with the department at Washington, and later Ryan and Johns met in Terre Haute.

There, Ryan says, Johns explained how close he was to Miller and how Miller had accepted a \$2,000 job in the Post-Office Department at Washington with the idea that the job had certain "trimmings" such as Ryan says. Johns explained Ryan would be able to furnish.

Ryan declares Johns asked \$5,000 to get from Miller a letter from the Attorney General's office showing Ryan was entitled to use the mails. After a little dicker, Ryan says, Johns came down to \$2,500, and the proposition was accepted.

A proposition to pay \$2,500 for literature, so worded it would pass muster if it was ever taken up in the mails was later accepted.

Ryan asserts Johns delivered the letter and literature to him December 16. Ryan says he gave John \$1,000 cash and checks dated December 17, one for \$2,000 and one for \$1,000.

Then, Ryan says, everything went along smoothly until the troubles February 9. A week later a fraud order was issued against Ryan, and Ryan says an effort for another shakedown was put on foot, but he would not stand for it. He says he received more telegrams from Johns. Ryan says he presented all the telegrams and letters.

The Post-Office Inspectors have a great mass of documentary evidence against the accused men, notably a letter to John J. Ryan from George A. C. Christy, as acting assistant attorney general for the Post-Office Department, informing Ryan that the investigation satisfied the Washington officials of his right to use the mails in his business.

The following is the letter that Ryan says cost him \$5,000:

"Washington, D. C., Dec. 16, 1902.—Messrs. John J. Ryan & Co., Fourth and Locust streets, St. Louis, Mo.: Gentlemen—Your attorney has requested that you be informed of the decision of this office in relation to your case, which has been pending before it since November 11, 1902, and in accordance with said request I beg to inform you that the information desired, as indicated by certain written questions propounded to you at the time of the hearing, and your answers thereto, were furnished by you to the Post-Office Inspectors November 23 and 24, 1902. Said inspectors have filed their report in this office, which report shows that you have furnished the information desired and were complying with the promises and agreements contained in your letter of this office November 11, 1902. If you have since November 23, 1902, complied with your promises and agreements contained in your letter of the 11th ultimo and will continue to do so, no further action will be taken by this office and your case will be closed.

"Should this office at any time in the future receive satisfactory information that you are not complying with the agreements in said letter contained, then such action will be taken as the circumstances demand."

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MILLER'S PARTNER IS UNDER ARREST.

Washington, May 26.—United States Marshal Pottit at Rockville, Ind., today notified the department by telegram of the arrest of Joseph M. Johns, the man charged with conspiracy in the alleged bribery of Daniel V. Miller, the assistant attorney for the Post-Office Department, who was arrested last night.

Johns was arrested with Miller at Cincinnati. Their cases will be presented to the Federal Grand Jury, which meets there October 6.

According to evidence in possession of the postal authorities, Johns received \$5,000 as a result of the decision of Acting Assistant Attorney General Christy that the Ryan Turf Investment Company was entitled to the use of the mails. Miller was an assistant of Christy.

The authorities here say Johns was not an attorney of the Ryan concern, but has been a life-long friend and political associate of Miller.

The exact division of the \$5,000 is not known. Miller was at the Post-Office Department today in conference with Assistant Attorney General Robb, who questioned him closely regarding the case. The case of the Arnold Company, the turf-investment concern which was responsible for the first charges against the office of Assistant Attorney General, and which, despite adverse reports of Post-Office inspectors, secured a favorable decision from the office, is still under investigation.

MILLER SAYS HE WAS TOOK OF CORRUPT COMBINATION. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, May 26.—Daniel V. Miller, former attorney for the Post-Office Department, was at his office today to take leave of his associates, and his only statement was that he was innocent of the charges made against him for which he was removed from office and arrested.

It is understood that when the time comes he will make a statement involving others in the bribery transaction and intending to show that he was only the tool of a combination of other and superior officials. But there is no one at the department who will confirm this.

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